Action Minutes for March 27, 2006

The following minutes are a summary of actions taken by the Regional Comprehensive Plan Task Force.

The Regional Comprehensive Plan Task Force held its meeting at the Southern California Association of Governments offices in Los Angeles. There was a videoconference at the SCAG Inland Office in Riverside. The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Paul Nowatka, City of Torrance. The flag salute was led by Paul Bowlen, City of Cerritos.

Committee Chair:

Pam O'Connor, Santa Monica

Members Present	Representing	Members Absent	Representing
Bowlen, Paul	Cerritos	Aldinger, Jim	Manhattan Beach
Cook, Debbie	Huntington Beach	Susan Longville	San Bernardino
Feinstein, Michael	Ex-officio	Ovitt, Gary	San Bernardino
Garcia, LeeAnn -Video	Grand Terrace	Perry, Bev	Brea
Miller, Mike	West Covina	Pettis, Greg	CVAG
Nowatka, Paul	Torrance		
O'Connor, Pam	Santa Monica		
Young, Toni	Port Hueneme		

New Members

None

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Paul Nowatka, Vice-Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:38 a.m.

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None offered.

3.0 REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

4.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

4.1 The minutes of February 27, 2006 were approved as submitted.

5.0 <u>ACTION ITEMS</u>

None

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6.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

6.1 Energy Chapter

Jennifer Sarnecki, SCAG Staff provided an update on the work being done on the Energy Chapter.

- An Energy Conference was held on March 10 and was attended by approximately 150 people from agencies, cities, and local governments.
- Updating the Energy Chapter as new data is received from the federal, state, and local governments.
- The Regional Council approved the formation of the Energy Working Group in December and letters have been sent to potential participants. The first meeting should take place in April or May.
- SCAG is preparing to hire a consultant for FY 06-07 to work on the Energy Chapter to calculate the amount of energy that is used in our Regional Comprehensive planning process and the Transportation planning process.
- SCAG is exploring partnership opportunities with Southern California Edison.

Councilmember Debbie Cook provided additional information on what took place at the Energy Conference.

The Task Force discussed energy issues and produced the following potential goals and regional activities:

POTENTIAL GOALS

- Reduce Consumption or Fossil/Non-renewable
- Provide for Needs
- Encourage Alternatives
- Equipment Improvement
- Encourage Pos. Individual Behavior
- Not Deprivation

REGIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Require/Encourage Cleanest/Best
- Retrofits
- New Transp. Equipment
- TDM & Other RTP Elements
- Ports & Airports
- Growth & Urban Forum
- Building Standards
- Transportation System
- Self Reliance Activities

6.2 Legislation Update

Jacob Lieb, SCAG Staff, provided a brief update on CEQA Reform and regional planning legislative discussions.

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7.0 CHAIR'S REPORT

None

8.0 STAFF REPORT

Jacob Lieb, SCAG Staff, reported that 2 consultants have been selected, one is to work on the Finance Chapter and the second to work on the Open Space Habitat Chapter.

9.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

10.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

11.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m. The next Task Force meeting is scheduled for April 24, 2006, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.